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KC MAN SENTENCED TO 19 YEARS FOR CHILD PORN

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., man was sentenced in federal court today on charges related to child pornography.

Dion Devinny, 47, of Kansas City, was sentenced by U.S. Chief District Judge Dean Whipple this morning to 19 years and seven months in federal prison without parole. **Devinny**, who failed to appear in court for his original sentencing hearing on April 1, 2005, was located in California after a warrant was issued for his arrest. Under federal statutes, Graves explained, **Devinny** faced a 15-year mandatory minimum sentence and received additional prison time for fleeing and obstructing justice. The court also ordered **Devinny** to forfeit to the government a Western Digital hard drive, 177 floppy disks and three CD-ROMs, which were used to commit the offenses.

On Dec. 16, 2004, **Devinny** pleaded guilty to publishing a notice to display child pornography over the Internet. **Devinny** posted a notice on the Internet in a Yahoo! group offering to distribute an image of child pornography, Graves said. Anyone in the group who clicked the download option in the notice would receive the image of an adult male engaged in oral sex with a naked female toddler.

Investigators with the Croatian Interior Ministry in Croatia documented this and other postings, Graves explained, and forwarded the results of their investigation to investigators with the Federal Bureau of Investigation in the United States.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Katharine Fincham. It was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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